

McKinley STEAM Academy

PTA Meeting

February 8, 2021

Call to Order @ 12:01 by Tammy Millsap

Review and Approve November Meeting Minutes:

Motion to approve by Diana Ledford; 2nd by Jennifer Petersen. Approved.

Treasurer's Report:

Kelly Bult presented the Treasurer's Report. The PTA received revenue from donations, Box Tops, and Amazon Smiles.

Principal's Report - Joslin Hanna for Mr. Martinez:

Ms. Hanna reported that 320 students have returned in person (20:1 ratio per classroom).

Music class: Students attend one day in person and two days asynchronous. PE: students spend one day with Mr. Tower and one day in the small gym.

Students are working on i-Ready Diagnostic testing.

The next STEAM Day is scheduled for Friday, February 26.

The Bear Paw Store. Students and staff are using a digital system called PBIS Rewards. Staff members award bear paws electronically. Students are then able to redeem their rewards through ClassLink. ELL students package and deliver items to each cohort.

New Business:

Grizzly Cove. Jackie Mason asked the PTA for a donation of \$300 to purchase toiletry items for the Grizzly Cove. Motion to approve by Diana Ledford; 2nd by Kelly Bult. Approved.

STEAM Lab. Karen Hall asked the PTA for a donation of \$1,200 to purchase a table and four stools for the STEAM Lab. Kelly Bult and Diana Ledford suggested the school apply for a School Project Grant through the Cedar Rapids Foundation. The next grant period application period opens in March 2021. Jackie Mason will follow up with Karen Swenson. Tabled until the April meeting.

Committee Updates:

8th Grade Party. McKinley is waiting to hear back from the District regarding field trips. At this time, students are not able to go on field trips.

Iowa Assessment Snacks. Jennifer Petersen. Jennifer will be ordering assessment snacks through Food and Nutrition. Jackie Mason will provide Jennifer the number of snacks needed. Mrs. Hollingsworth's class will divide and deliver food to cohorts.

Box Tops/Amazon Smiles: Laurie Tauber. The deadline for the next check is March 1 so Laurie mailed all the clipped box tops that had been turned in. She encouraged people to use the app to scan receipts. She is looking for someone to take over Box Tops next year.

Landscaping. No update. Still need a committee chair.

Membership. Kelly Bult reported membership at 30.

Staff Appreciation. Laurie Tauber/Jenn Patterson. This year the committee has provided staff cookies, candy and gift cards. Possible ideas for the future: *Individualized catered meals (Quarter Barrel) - lunch or breakfast pizzas. *Board & Brush (custom wood signs). *Potter's Obsession (unfinished pottery).

Announcements. Diana Ledford discussed possible ways the PTA could help with current needs and challenges of the school. Ms. Hanna will discuss with Mr. Martinez.

Angel West made a motion to end the meeting at 12:45. Approved.

Meeting Attendees:

Laurie Tauber	Jackie Mason	Tammy Millsap	Christine Engel
Angel West	Joslin Hanna	Diana Ledford	Karen Hall
Jennifer Patterson	Kelly Bult	Jennifer Petersen	